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The Pearl Divers of Roncador Reef (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from The Pearl Divers of Roncador Reef One bright but exceedingly boisterous afternoon in June three men were seated on the verandah of the Queen s Hotel, in the newly-founded city of Townsville, situated on the shore of Cleveland Bay, in North Queensland. Eight miles across the bay, and directly facing the scattered line of buildings which stood mostly on the open, wind-swept beach, was Magnetic Island (which Cook discovered and surveyed in the Endeavour), its lofty green hills and snowy white beaches glinting in the bright afternoon sun. For some days past a south-easterly half-gale had been blowing, and the waters of Cleveland Bay were heaving tumultuously under its influence, and every now and then an extra strong and erratic puff would sweep along the sandy, dusty street, which ran parallel with the beach in front of the hotel, and send clouds of dust swirling high in air, and then out to sea. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at This book is a reproduction of...

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